

# Online Short-Term Forecast of System Heat Load in District Heating Networks

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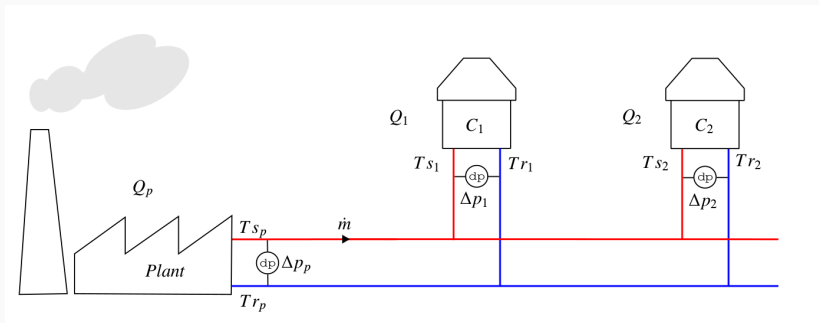
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**Goal** To accurately predict Heat Load requirement for a Housing network

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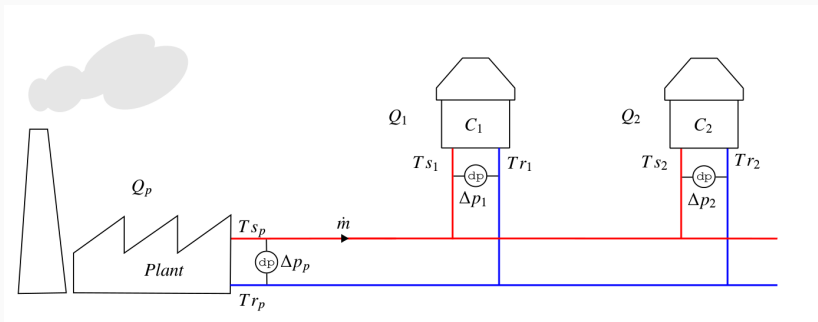
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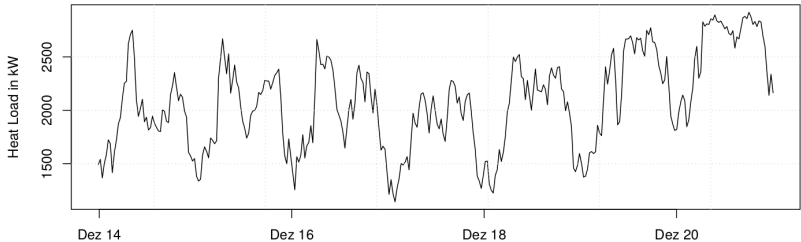
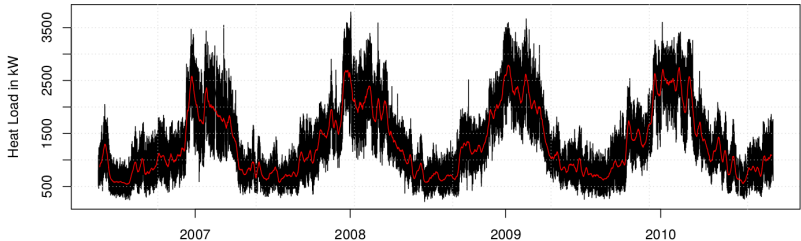
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# Material and Methods

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- System heat load
- 84 buildings in Tanheim, Austria
- Between 05/18/2006 and 09/22/2010
- 30-minute intervals

# Data





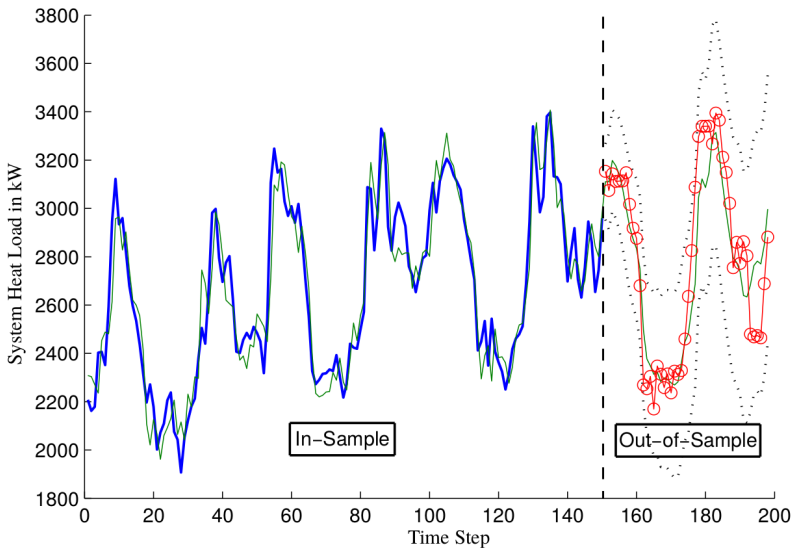
## Seasonal AutoRegressive Integrated Moving Average (SARIMA) model

- Time-series
- Repeating patterns – trends
- Short-term correlations
- R and Matlab

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# Results



# Performance

- Accuracy determined by Mean Average Percentage Error (MAPE)
- MAPE calculated over 24 and 48 steps ahead (12h and 24h)
- Predictions compared to real data
- MAPE of 4.4% in one example

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## Negatives

- Scalability?
- MAPE result only shown for only one example
- More than 24h-ahead predictions?

Questions?

# SARIMA model

- S** *Seasonal*: repetitive patterns
- AR** *AutoRegressive*: variable is regressed on its own lagged values
- I** *Integrated*: values are replaced with the difference between their values and the previous values
- MA** *Moving Average*: regression error is a linear combination of previous error terms



# MAPE boxplot

